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Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire
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Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
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RE: Joint Petition of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC for Approval of Accounting Order to Defer Incremental COVID-19 Expenses to be Included in Future Rate Proceedings
Docket No. 2020- -E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Regarding the above referenced docket, the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") requests that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") abstain from voting on the Deferral request of Duke Energy Carolinas and Duke Energy Progress ("Companies") until ORS has had sufficient time to request and review additional information from the Companies regarding this Petition.

ORS will inform the Commission, the Companies and any other parties once the ORS review has been completed.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,

Jeffrey M. Nelson

cc: All Parties of Record (via E-mail)
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